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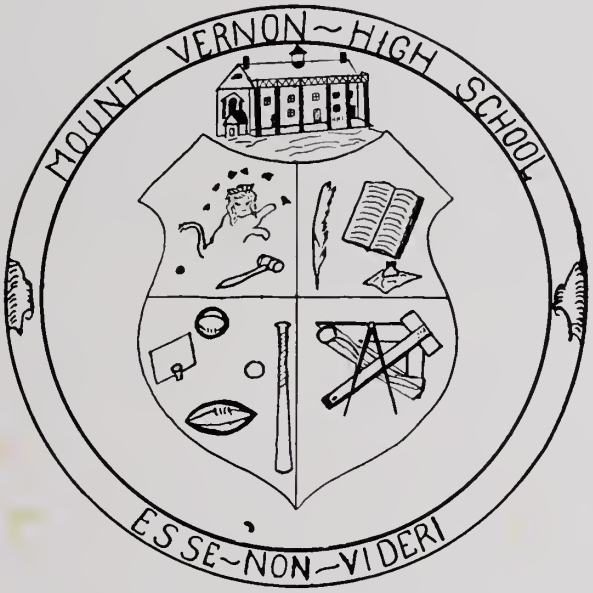

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MOUNT VERNON HIGH SCHOOL

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In Memoriam

GORDON E. SMITH
Supervisor of High Schools
Fairfax County, Fairfax, Virginia
Died—Monday, July 12, 1943

We knew when we were told that Mr. Gordon E. Smith had died, that it was not true. He will live as long as there is a public school system in Fairfax County. His life and ideals were inseparable from the purposes of education; his greatest challenge, an unexplored and undeveloped mind. Mr. Smith was Principal of McLean High School for 4 years, Principal of Lee-Jackson School for 2 years, and Principal of Fairfax High School for 6 years. He was appointed Supervisor of High Schools in Fairfax County in 1939.

During his last difficult years Mr. Smith refused to submit to a weakened body, vowed to continue his work as long as he was mentally alert, and sustained himself to do so by will alone. On his visits to teachers and pupils he carried with him his courage, wisdom and humor.

A great man—tolerant, understanding, gentle, wise and reverent—Mr. Smith gave to the past appreciation for experience gained; to the present, his greatest interest and effort; to the future, his confidence in God and humanity. Even before his death, his influence extended to the far corners of the earth and, always humble, he spoke with tears in his eyes of the former pupils who remembered him.

A noble memory lives in our hearts.

Administrators

WILBERT T. WOODSON
Superintendent of Schools
Fairfax County, Fairfax, Virginia

GRANVILLE CLAUDE COX
Principal

MRS. OLIVE SCOTT THOMPSON
Guidance Director

OUR DEDICATION

Everyone in the Armed Forces
of the
United States of America

We, of high school age, love and appreciate *you* brave men and women of our country, who have left your homes, families, and friends, not only to fight, but to *win* the great battle which will give the present generation, as well as those to come, a more tolerant, righteous, just, and secure world.

Our thanks to you, who insist that the foundation of our country, namely, *Truth, Honor,* and *Justice,* regardless of race, creed, or color, *must be retained.*

THE STUDENT BODY
of the
Mt. Vernon High School

Our Faculty in the Service

Cleek, Thornton
Ferguson, Foster M.
Gasson, H. D.
Levin, Carl W.
Marshall, Robert F.
Morse, Frank E.
Omahundro, A. B.
Trenis, Jr., B. E.
Woodson, Paul D.

Our Alumni in the Service

Army

Bartlett, Murlyn Cpl.
Bayliss, George Pvt.
Bevis, Randolph P.F.C. '40
Bevis, Wayne Sgt. '38
Carter, Edward '43*
Clore, Walter W.**
Coates, Robert Pvt. '39
Cockrell, Vernon '39
Connors, John Pvt.
Curtis, Earl P.F.C. '43
Davies, Lawrence
Deavers, Clarence '42
Fitzgerald, Lynwood Sgt. '41
Frazier, Walter Cpl. '41
Greenstreet, Edward Cpl. '41
Hardin, Lewis '38
Harty, Jimmie '41
Hinton, Walter P.F.C.
Holt, Harold Pvt. '43
Jones, Harry P.F.C. '41
Kincheloe, Leo
Lamphiear, Hilton '43
Manning, Frank 2nd Lt. '41
McGrady, Marion 2nd Lt. '37
McGrady, Roy
McGrady, Venton Pvt. '43
McKenzie, Douglas '45
McMahon, Joe '43
Metzger, John Cpl. '41
Moriarity, Edward
Morrison, George
Morrison, Lindsey
Nevitt, Douglas '38
Nevitt, John '31
Nowlin, Warren
Otis, William '43
Pearson, Bill '41
Pearson, Robert
Pearson, Sam '38
Pearson, Thomas '39
Petitt, Donald
Rea, Henry
Rogers, Joe
Rose, Webster '40
Saffelle, Stewart
Schurtz, Dallas
Shepherd, Guy P.F.C. '43
Simpson, Junior '43
Smith, Carter Lee Pvt. '42
Summers, Gus '41
Theimer, Paul P.F.C.
Thompson, Thomas '39
Thorpe, Aubrey
Towsey, Gilbert
Wiley, Keith

Navy

Baker, George S.L.-3/C
Brown, Tilton
Blunt, Kenneth S-2/C '43
Bruington, Homer '40
Burke, Billy S-2/C '42
Burke, Lawrence (Sonny) '41
Coffey, James S-2/C '42
Coflin, Richard S-2/C '44
Conley, Leonard S.C.-3/C '41
Cooke, Billy '42
Cooper, Randolph S-2/C
Davis, R. E. A.R.M.-3/C '42
Davis, John S-22/C '44
Dickerson, John '42
Duell, Claude S-2/C '43
Flaherty, Thomas S-2/C '42
Flaherty, William MM-3/C
Freeman, Lester
Handberg, Donald S-2/C '43
Harrison, Noval '41
Herfurth, Paul '38
Hinton, Richard S-2/C
Hinton, Vernon, S-2/C
Hodges, Josh
Hoffman, George
Hoppe, Kenneth S-2/C '42
Hughes, Johnnie
Jackson, Bob
Jensen, Bob '43
Jamison, James S-2/C
Koci, Frank
Lawrence, Claude
Leake, Harry '38
Mills, Arthur S-2/C '43
Murray, Elmer S-2/C '43
Nalls, Elmer '41
Nelson, Pete '41
O'Neill, Stephen AMM-3/C
Parrish, John FC-2/C '39
Pilkerton, Tommy
Randolph, John S-2/C '43
Scott, Austin
Simpson, Carlin
Spalding, Carl
Suthard, Charles
Talbert, Owen '43
Thompson, Leslie
Thorpe, Elvan
Violett, Thomas S-2/C '43
Walker, Russell
Wilson, Jerry F-2/C '42
Wooster, Maurice
Wright, Billy
Youell, Nip '42

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Our Alumni in the Service

Army Air Forces

Bayliss, Charles
Beach, Gordon '41
Campbell, Roy
Carter, Edmund Pvt. '39
Clapp, Harvey 2nd Lt. (Pilot) '39
Draney, Robert 2nd Lt. '42
Durrer, William
Fraley, Harlen '40
Grieve, Robert '39
Hansen, Gerard M/Sgt '41
Lloyd, Warren '39
Mattingly, Tommy A/S '43
Nelson, Mitchell '42
Nevitt, Marders P.F.C. '43
Parrish, Denwood
Peverill, Lewis Cpl. '42
Watkins, Alton '39
Wright, Hector Cpl. '42

Coast Guard

Arnold, Walter S-2/C '43
Baldwin, James '41
Evans, Jerry
Fitzgerald, RM/3 '42
Koci, Henry
Mellott, Howard
Tacey, Marshall '43

Marines

Coffey, Billy
Coffey, Noel '38
Forest, Douglas
O'Rourke, Calvin P.F.C. '42
Sanborn, Merrill '40
Sullivan, Ray P.F.C.

Merchant Marines

Baldwin, Lawrence A.S. '43
Lookabough, Charles 3d Mate '41
Murphy, Bill '42
Roberts, Robert Midshipman '42
Rose, Melvin '40
Sowell, Charles '41
Speiss, Jimmy A.S.

W. A. C.

Harrell, Lois P.F.C. '39
Wolford, Jane Lee Pvt.

R. A. F.

Hoskins, Francis 1st Lt. '40

*Edward Carter received a medical discharge from the Army
**MEMORIAL

PFC WALTER MARION CLORE

Infantry, U. S. A.

May 1923 - - - - January 24, 1944

Killed in action in Italy while defending his country

Private Clore, a former student of Mount Vernon High School, was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds he received during action in Italy on October 7, 1943, and was twice commended for bravery during the Sicilian Campaign.

In his untimely death, our country has lost a hero. We all salute him, and pay tribute to his memory.

GRANVILLE CLAUDE COX, Principal

Foreword

These glimpses into the school life at Mount Vernon High have been woven into the theme of advances cooperatively made in developing a world with freedom from want, freedom from fear, freedom of speech and expression, and freedom of worship.

This volume contains vital information about our school. Its real worth, however, is not the information its furnishes, but the impressions on your memory of a dynamic life, lived while with us. May we be mindful of the senior class mottor: *Non Progredi est Regredi.*

For the boys and girls who are offering their lives on the battlefront, may we offer this prayer:

May God give you strength to do His will
To love mankind; the rich and the poor;
To climb from the valley, high on a hill
And put His love above earthly lure.

Surveyor Staff

1944 Yearbook

Mount Vernon High School

Sponsor—Miss Molly G. Lehrman
Editor-in-Chief—Alice Welch
Assistant Editor—Sue Roberts
Business Manager—Margaret Rogers
Assistant Business Manager—Linabel White

ACTIVITIES

Jean Duvall
Charles Gordon
Eileen Hardage
Joan Rogers

ADVERTISING

Jean Bayliss
Evelyn Cleveland
Pearl Dent
Jimmy Dunivin
Violet Hill
Rebecca Hummer
Marie Maters
Mary Ellen McNellis
Bernice Rogers
Margaret Rogers
June Bartlett

ARTISTS

Jo Doris Beazley
Evelyn Martin
Janice Payne

PHOTOGRAPHY

Harold Letcher

LITERARY

Alice Montieth
Frances Rogers
Margaret Rogers
Helen Wagner
Linabel White

TYPISTS

Connie Harvey
Bernice Rogers

GREETINGS

With the termination of this academic school year, another group of students, young ladies and men ready to face life's problems, will leave the gates of the Mount Vernon High School.

It was Socrates, the Greek philosopher, who discovered that the true self is the soul. To him the soul was one's mental capacity of insight and one's physical power of will. Both are necessary. The former knows good from evil, whereas the latter overrides all desires for momentary pleasure and seeming happiness which in reality are only illusions.

America has never before offered so great a challenge to red-blooded youth as it does today. The call for true heroism and patriotism will not end with the signing of a peace treaty. You, the *youth* of today, will be the *adult of tomorrow; the future leaders of our country.* The assignment for the continuation of democracy will fall upon your shoulders.

This 1944 Surveyor is not a means of bidding each other final partings. We shall meet continually all through life, perhaps not in person, but certainly in our thoughts. When people think of each other, they meet. Our thoughts, I know, will be very happy and pleasant ones.

MOLLY LEHRMAN, *Sponsor.*

Our Faculty

1. G. Claude Cox, Principal.
2. Mary D. Clark—Shorthand, Typing, Business English, General Business.
3. Mabel DeVault—English, Latin.
4. Natalie J. Disbrow—Social Studies, History.
5. Rebecca K. Engleman—English, Spanish.
6. Mary Jeanette Epstein—Chemistry, Physics.
7. Mrs. Mary Lou Fary—History, English.
8. Mrs. Rosalyn P. Gekoski—Girls Physical Education, General Science.
9. Molly G. Lehrman—Shorthand, Typing, Bookeeping, Consumer Economics, Business Law.
10. Clara Elizabeth Mergler—Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, Pre-Induction Mathematics.
11. Mrs. Hattie G. Quinley—Social Studies, Civics.
12. Marjory Rea—Librarian.
13. Mrs. Purcelle M. Robertson—Home Economics.
14. Clara Robison—Business and General Mathematics.
15. John C. Ross—Boys Physical Education, Civics, History.
16. Mrs. Carolyn B. Shew—Typing.
17. Mrs. Olive S. Thompson—Guidance Director, Freshman Coordinator, Civics.
18. Mrs. Mamruth Collins Walter—English.
19. Josephine Elizabeth Wood—Biology, Girls Physical Education.

Seniors 1944

Sponsor—Miss Marjory Rea
President—Wiley Barrington
Vice-President—Robert Leisner
Secretary—Bernice Rogers
Treasurer—Sue Roberts

Senior Class Poem

We're the Senior class of '44
We've had our fun, can we ask for more?
Our work was hard, that is true;
We've received our knowledge, and now we're through.

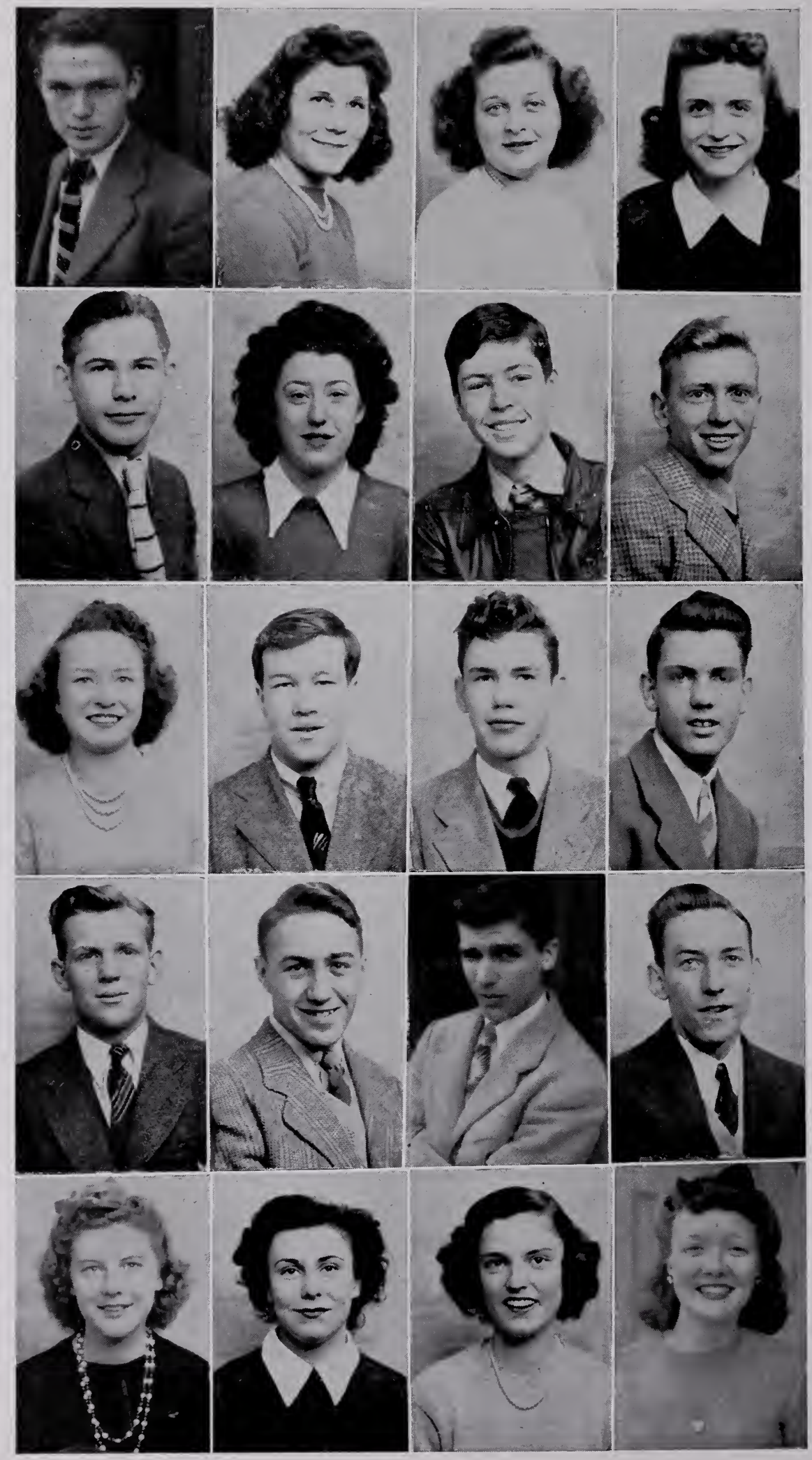
Through, seems hard for us to say,
But there'll be others to leave next May,
And to that class, the best of luck,
So do your duty and never duck.

To our school you must be loyal,
Respect our teachers, and our colors royal,
Also our motto, which we're proud to say
Non Progredi est Regredi.

And to this class we leave a toast,
Love our school and always boast,
For we must leave; it couldn't last,
We'll face the future, but remember the past.

Now we hate to have to go,
But there's nothing else, that you know;
So we'll try hard not to cry,
Just breathe a sigh, sand say goodbye.

ALICE MONTIETH.



WILEY LEE BARRINGTON, JR.: "Wiley"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Annapolis; Activities—Senior Class President, Year Book, Paper Staff, Football.

ANISE JUNE BARTLETT: "June"; Course—Elective; Ambition—U. S. Cadet Nurses Corps; Activity—Year Book.

JEAN TRESSA BAYLISS: "Jean"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Typist.

CHARLOTTE FLORENCE BERRETT: "Charlotte"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Secretary.

MARTIN VAN BUREN BOSTETTER, JR.: "Martin"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Surgeon; Activity—Student Government.

MINNIE FRANCES BUTLER: "Minnie"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Social Service Worker and conquer Shorthand.

EDWARD NELSON BUXTON: "Buxton"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Writer; Activity—Glee Club.

DONALD LEWIS CLARK: "Donald"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Air Corps.

EDNA EVELYN CLEVELAND: "Evelyn"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Nurse during war, Dietician during peace; Activity—Year Book.

RICHARD SWEENEY COFLIN: "Dick"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Navy. Ambition attained January 29, 1944. Now Seaman Second Class.

CHARLES WILLIAM COLLINS: "Charles"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Musician.

RAYMOND LACEY CONE: "Fuzzle"; Course—Academic; Ambition—U. S. Marines.

WILLIAM DOUGLAS COOK: "Douglas"; Course—Vocational; Ambition—Become a millionaire.

KENT HORACE CROWTHER: "Kent"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Bacteriologist; Activity—Captain of Patrols.

WILLIAM REGINALD CRUMP: "Reginald"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Professional Baseball.

JOHN FRANCIS DAVIS: "John"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Navy. Ambition attained January 21, 1944. Now Seaman Second Class.

PEARL JUNE DENT: "Pearl"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Beauty Operator.

VERA VIRGINIA DICKSON: "Vera"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Army Nurse; Activities—Glee Club, Paper Staff.

JEAN MacDONALD DUVALL: "Jean"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Medical Technician; Activity—Year Book.

MARY LUCILLE EPPS: "Lucille"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Singer; Activity—Paper Staff.

FREDA IONA FRALEY: "Freda"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Bookkeeper; Activity—Home Economics Club.

HELEN KATHELENE FRALEY: "Helen"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Typist.

DELORES MAY GARDINER: "Delores"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Vocalist; Activity—Glee Club.

MARY LOU GRAHAM: "Lula"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Nurse.

ANNA MARIE HANSEN: "Anna"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Beauty Operator; Activity—Cheering Squad.

WILLIAM JACKSON HARRELL: "Billy"; Course—Vocational; Ambition—Navigator; Activity—Science Club.

CHRISTINE HARRIS: "Crick"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Nurse.

MARGARET MINAH HARVEY: "Connie"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Typist; Activities—Year Book, Cheering Squad.

ELIZABETH ANN HARWELL: "Betty"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Nurse and conquer English.

KENNETH EDWARD HASLE: "Kenneth"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Aviator.

HELEN LAVERNE HILL: "LaVerne"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Private Secretary; Activity—Year Book.

VIOLET ALEESE HILL: "Violet"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Private Secretary; Activity—Year Book.

HILDA MAE HUDSON: "Hilda"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Stenographer.

PAUL STANLEY JACOBSON: "Paul"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Pilot; Activity—Football.

HAZEL REBECCA HUMMER: "Becky"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Secretary; Activity—Year Book.

THOMAS WILLIAM JENNINGS: "Tommy"; Course—Vocational; Ambition—Musician.

JAMES THOMAS KAISER: "Jimmy"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Army Air Corps; Activity—Baseball.

MILDRED LOUISE LEE: "Mildred"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Nurse; Activity—Glee Club.

ROBERT STANLEY LEISNER: "Chick"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Navy or Army Air Corps; Activities—Vice-President of Student Government, Senior Class Vice-President, Monogram Club.

HAROLD LETCHER: "Jimmie"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Photographer.

MARIAN LOUISE LONG: "Marian"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Secretary Bookkeeper; Activity—Paper Staff.

MARION LINBERG MARTIN: "Marion"; Course—Vocational; Ambition—Aviation; Activity—Library Club.

IVA MARIE MATERS: "Marie"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Secretary; Activity—Year Book.

GEORGE PERRY McCANN: "Perry"; Course—Vocational; Ambition—Radio Engineer; Activity—Science Club.

DORIS EVELYN McMINN: "Doris"; Course—Commercial; Ambition;Bookkeeper Typist.

MARY ELLEN McNELIS: "Mary Ellen"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Singer; Activities—Year Book, Glee Club.

NELLIE EMOGENE MELLOT: "Penny"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Teacher; Activities—Year Book, Secretary of Student Government, Paper Staff.

ALICE GENEVIEVE MONTIETH: "Alice"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Secretary; Activity—Year Book.

MONA JEAN MORSE: "Jean"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Plastic Surgeon; Activities—Paper Staff, Year Book.

MARJORIE CLARA MUNDY: "Dolly"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Typist.

LUCILLE MARIE NELSON: "Marie"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Secretary.

MILDRED HOPE NORRIS: "Mildred"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Physical Education Instructor; Activity—Paper Staff.

HOWARD DANIEL PAINTER: "Bobby"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Automobile Service Manager.

MARRION BAIRD PARRISH: "Marrion"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Stenographer.

JANICE MEREDITH PAYNE: "Janice"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Navy Nurse; Activities—Year Book, Student Government.

VERNE ELNORA PEARSON: "Verne"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Beauty Operator; Activity—Home Economics Club.

MILDRED PHELPS: "Mildred"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Nurse; Activity—Home Economics Club.

ALICE LOUISE PIERCY: "Cookie"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Women's Air Cadets.

PATRICIA CORRINNE REEDER: "Pat"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Medical Technician.

SUE HARMON ROBERTS: "Sue"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Dietician; Activities—Treasurer of Student Government, Senior Class Treasurer, Year Book, Paper Staff.

DOROTHY BERNICE ROGERS: "Bernice"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Secretary; Activities—Senior Class Secretary, Year Book.

FRANCES MARIE CARLYN ROGERS: "Frances"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Nurse; Activity—Year Book.

JOSEPH LEO ROGERS: "Leo"; Course—Vocational; Ambition—U. S. Marines.

MARGARET ELLEN ROGERS: "Margaret"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Legal Secretary; Activity—Year Book.

EARL WILINER SCOTT: "Scotty"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—Army Air Corps during war, Accountant during peace.

EULAH JOSEPHINE SEARS: "Jo"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Nurse.

MARY BELL SIMPSON: "Mary"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Nurse.

CLAUDE PIERCE SMITH: "Claude"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Army Air Corps.

MARJORIE ANN STAPLES: "Marge"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Typist.

GORDON LESLIE STEIDEL: "Gordon"; Course—Vocational; Ambition—Army Air Corps.

FRANK STROBEL: "Frankie"; Course—Vocational; Ambition—Professional Baseball Player.

NELSON MOORE SUBLETT: "Nelson"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Pilot; Activity—Patrol.

EUGENE THOMAS: "Eugene"; Course—Vocational; Ambition—Navy.

FOXHALL PARKER THORNTON: "Parker"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Orthopedist; Activities—Football, Editor of Paper Staff, Student Government.

HATTIE VIVIAN THOMPSON: "Hattie"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Nurse; Activity—Home Economics Club.

ALICE MAE TRAVERS: "Bonnie"; Course—Commercial; Ambition—To get an ambition; Activity—Year Book.

HELEN LOUISE WAGNER: "Helen"; Course—Elective; Ambition—Housewife; Activity—Year Book.

ALICE ASHTON WELCH: "Alice"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Pharmacist; Activity—Editor of Year Book, Paper Staff.

MARIAN COCHRAN WHEELOCK: "Marian"; Course—Academic; Ambition—Nurse.

LINA ISABEL WHITE: "Linabel"; Course—Academic; Activities—President of Student Government, Year Book.

ALFRED LEE WILES: "Alfred"; Course—Vocational; Ambition—Merchant Marine; Activity—Baseball.

LYNWOOD LATANI WILEY: "Kisses"; Ambition—Naval Aviator; Activities—Paper Staff, Monogram Club.

LILA ELIZABETH WRAY: "Lila"; Course—Secretary; Activity—Paper Staff.

Colors—Blue and White

Flower—Gardenia

Motto—Non Progredi Est Regredi

(Not to Go Forward is to Go Backward)

Class History

In the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and forty, a group of 144 students entered the Mount Vernon High School and were soon known as the Freshman Class, to be the first full-fledged graduates of the school. So eager were they for the knowledge which Mount Vernon High School could impart to them, that they came from various sections of the county, such as Lorton, Groveton, Franconia, Ft. Belvoir, Wellington Villa, and Mount Vernon.

After they had become orientated to the new school, a day was set aside to vote for the leaders of the class. The results of the election were Frankie Strobel, President; Betty Clark, Vice-President; Dolly Mundy, Secretary; and Charlotte Berrett, Treasurer. Linabel White was Judicial Member to Student Government. The most eventful day of the year was the red letter day when the entire class went to Glen Echo. Who will ever forget it?

The year ended, and in September 1941 the class became the "Know-it-all-Sophomores," organized under the leadership of President Frankie Strobel; Vice-President, Delores Gardiner; Secretary, Becky Hummer; Treasurer, Marie Maters; and Martin Bostetter, Judicial Department Representative of Student Government. A party, given at the Groveton school where everyone had a good time, was the chief social function of the year.

The group soon became Juniors. Wiley Barrington was elected President; Frankie Strobel, Vice-President; Glenwood Clark, Secretary; Sue Roberts, Treasurer; and Glenwood Clark, Judicial Member of Student Government. The class helped maneuver a very successful Junior-Senior Prom.

In September 1943 the height of their desires was reached because they became Seniors, better known as the Graduating Class of May 1944. Wiley Barrington was again elected class President; Robert Leisner, Vice-President; Bernice Rogers, Secretary; Sue Roberts, Treasurer; and Parker Thornton, Judicial Member of Student Government. Linabel White was elected President of Student Government; Martin Bostetter, Secretary of Activities and Special Advisor of Student Government; Kent Crowther, Secretary of Safety; Claude Smith, Secretary of Sanitation; and Raymond Cone, Secretary of Public Relations. To realize their good work for Student Government one need only read the progress chart of Student Government for the year. In addition, Parker Thornton was Editor of Em Vee Hi and Alice Welch, Editor of the Surveyor.

Some of the seniors who were called to the service before being able to complete the entire academic senior year were John Davis and Dick Coflin.

Thus, four of the happiest years of their lives were spent in high school. They know not what the future will bring, but they do know that the years at Mount Vernon will live in their memory forever.

The very best of luck, happiness, and success to each member of this class in the life that is ahead for him and her.

Last Will and Testament

We, *the Graduating Class of the Mount Vernon High School*, of the county of *Fairfax* and state of *Virginia*, being of legal high school age and sound mind and memory, do make, publish, and declare this to be our LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT towards the Mount Vernon High School, its faculty, and remaining student body, hereby revoking any and all wills heretofore made by us to the aforementioned.

I, *Wiley Barrington*, leave my "fickle heart" to paper dolls.

I, *June Bartlett*, leave my art of taking inventory in Students' Corner to Jean Pugh.

I, *Jean Bayliss*, leave my way with classmates to Jean Lyles.

I, *Charlotte Berrett*, leave my typing ability to Elaine Plecher.

I, *Martin Bostetter*, leave my manner to be "seen and heard too" to Hervey Rice.

I, *Minnie Butler*, leave my pleasant ways of getting along with everyone to anyone who needs that ability.

I, *Edward Buxton*, leave my grievances in homeroom 3 to all who follow me.

I, *Donald Clark*, leave my "Adventures in Canada" to Albert Steidel.

I, *Evelyn Cleveland*, leave my ability of keeping up the conversation to Dorothy Ann Walon.

I, *Dick Coflin*, leave my way with the draft board to all fellows caught in the same situation.

I, *Charles Collins*, leave my "trumpet blues" to Harry James.

I, *Raymond Cone*, leave my ability to get along with Freshmen girls to any hesitating lad.

I, *Douglas Cook*, leave my ability of talking Bus No. 6 into starting to the next driver.

I, *Kent Crowther*, leave my shining patrol badge to Willard Bonnett.

I, *Reginald Crump*, leave my "Clark Gable mustache" to Frank Sinatra.

I, *John Davis*, leave my executive ability to Janet Stein.

I, *Pearl Dent*, leave my ability to do homework to anyone who needs it.

I, *Vera Dickson*, leave my ability to play Lady Macbeth to Margaret Lavinus.

I, *Jean Duvall*, leave to all rising Seniors—see end of will.*

I, *Lucille Epps*, leave my desire to become a radio singer to Joyce Walters.

I, *Freda Fraley*, leave my sisterly ways to the Lyles twins.

I, *Helen Fraley*, leave my ability for explanation to Gus Panagos.

I, *Delores Gardiner*, leave my running ability to Anna Kaiser.

I, *Anna Hansen*, leave my ability of expressing my opinion to Vyonne Davis.

I, *William Harrell*, leave my interest in history to Barbara Larson.

I, *Christine Harris*, refuse to leave my "sailors" to anyone who wants them.

I, *Connie Harvey*, leave my ability to chew gum in Miss Clark's class to Jack Wagner.

I, *Betty Harwell*, leave my curly hair to Nancy Parrish.

I, *Kenneth Hasle*, leave my ability to give long English reports to all short-winded people.

I, *LaVerne Hill*, leave my friendly smile to all students who need it.

I, *Violet Hill*, leave my love for "jitterbugging" to Audrey Shifflett.

I, *Becky Hummer*, leave my long sweeping eye lashes to Delores Blunt.

I, *Paul Jacobson*, leave my forward technique to any bashful student.

Last Will and Testament

I, *Tommy Jennings*, leave my ability to sing "Shoo Shoo Baby" to anyone who can sing it as well as I.

I, *Jimmy Kaiser*, leave my love "for mountain music" to Josephine Beazley.

I, *Mildred Lee*, leave my love for the Navy Air Corps to Dick O'Neil.

I, *Robert Leisner*, leave my "skyscraper structure" to George Schindell.

I, *Harold Letcher*, leave my ability to take pictures to the future cameraman of Mount Vernon High School.

I, *Marion Long*, leave my cooperative ways to Virginia Sublett.

I, *Marion Martin*, leave my experiences in the Belvoir post office to Thomas Hook.

I, *Marie Maters*, leave my "dark ever in place hair" to Betty Jean Moshier.

I, *Perry McCann*, leave my quiet ways to Thelma Leith.

I, *Doris McMinn*, leave my "Pitcher's Box" to the next good pitcher.

I, *Mary Ellen McNelis*, leave my friendly disposition to all of next year's seniors.

I, *Nellie Mellot*, leave my teaching ability to all Groveton teachers.

I, *Alice Montieth*, leave my "cuteness" to Alberta Coffey.

I, *Jean Morse*, leave my ability to coach girls' football to any future physical education student.

I, *Dolly Mundy*, leave my love for the opposite sex to Annie Mae Rogers.

I, *Marie Nelson*, leave my ability to "meet-em at the station" to Dorothy White.

I, *Mildred Norris*, refuse to leave my beloved Miss Clark to anyone.

I, *Bobby Painter*, leave my "stock room chores" to any ambitious person.

I, *Margaret Parrish*, leave my German Police dog, Laddie, in care of the Army.

I, *Janice Payne*, leave my ability to chew gum in class without being caught to Thelma Travers.

I, *Verne Pearson*, leave my "lone wanderings but not lost" to William Cullen Bryant.

I, *Mildred Phelps*, leave my "excused absences" to June Lyles.

I, *Alice Piercy*, leave my favorite subject, physical education, to anyone who likes it better than I.

I, *Patricia Reeder*, leave my desire for "more exercise" to Mrs. Gekoski.

I, *Sue Roberts*, leave my ability of being treasurer to any honest student.

I, *Bernice Rogers*, leave my ability to be "fast" in shorthand to Martha Roberts.

I, *Frances Rogers*, leave my well trained voice to anyone desiring to acquire it.

I, *Leo Rogers*, leave my love for Mount Vernon to Bernice Cook.

I, *Margaret Rogers*, leave my "double dates" to Jean Harris and Nancy Doughton.

I, *Earl Scott*, leave my way with the girls to Dickie Downs.

I, *Josephine Sears*, leave my ability to harmonize with the bus quartet to my sister Mary.

I, *Mary Simpson*, leave my love for chemistry to Jordan Harding.

I, *Claude Smith*, leave my problem of keeping the school clean to Beverly Jones.

I, *Marjorie Staples*, leave my innocent manner to Kathryn Dawson.

I, *Gordon Stidel*, leave my plaid shirts to anyone who likes to be seen.

I, *Frankie Strobel*, leave my dark wavy hair to George Powell.

I, *Nelson Sublett*, leave my agreeable ways to Alvin Benkleman.

I *Eugene Thomas*, leave my ability of getting around the halls with a pass to Barbara Scott.

Last Will and Testament

I, *Parker Thornton*, leave my love for Richmond to the residents of the city.

I, *Hattie Thompson*, leave my nursing career to Marjorie Jones.

I, *Alice Travers*, leave my enchanting ways with the boys to Helen Frye.

I, *Helen Wagner*, leave my love for large animal pins to Miss Lehrman.

I, *Alice Welch*, leave my Yearbook problems to the future editor and Miss Lehrman.

I, *Marion Wheelock*, leave my quiet ways to all Fairhaven girls.

I, *Linabel White*, leave my ability to receive H's to any student who needs them.

I, *Alfred Wiles*, leave my love for refresher mathematics to Mr. Cox.

I, *Lynwood Wiley*, leave my ability to talk my way out of things to all backward students.

I, *Lila Wray*, refuse to leave my "Jesse" to anyone.

*My ability to have the last word.—*Jean Duvall.*

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hand to this LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT at *Fairfax, Virginia*, this 23d day of *May*, A. D. 1944.

GRADUATING CLASS OF MAY 1944.
Mount Vernon High School
Route No. 1
Alexandria, Virginia.

ATTESTING CLAUSE

On this 23d day of May, 1944, *The Graduating Class of Mount Vernon High School* whose names are subscribed to the above and foregoing document, signed the same in our presence and in the presence of each of us and declared it to be their LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT towards the Mount Vernon High School, its faculty, and remaining student body. Said *Graduating Class* are personally known to each of us and appeared to be in full possession of all of their mental faculties. We, at their request and in their presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto affixed our signatures the day and year first above written in the county of *Fairfax* in the State of *Virginia.*

MARJORY REA,
Cruzet, Virginia.

OLIVE SCOTT THOMPSON,
Elk Creek, Virginia.

MOLLY GREEN LEHRMAN,
Alexandria, Virginia.

"Tempus Fugit," and here we are in 1954. Let us see what has become of the class of '44. We'll look into the magic crystal. What's this!

Wiley Barrington, dressed in his Midshipman's uniform, is serenading the ladies beneath their balconies.

June Bartlett and Walter are happily married and live on a grand estate in Fairfax. June tells her offsprings of dear old Mt. Vernon.

Jean Bayliss, we see, has become one of the most prominent "Jitterbugs" in Alexandria.

Charlotte Berrett has now settled down and is one of the best stenographers of Fort Belvoir and wouldn't think of leaving because of her love for dictation.

Martin Bostetter has taken Europe by storm with his brilliant surgery and a little speech-making on the side.

Minnie Butler and her understanding ways are gaining more and more popularity each day. Minnie is the outstanding Social Service Worker in the northern part of Virginia.

Edward Buxton is following in his father's footsteps and has taken over Pohick Church where he can be heard each Sunday.

Donald Clark is coaching the All-American football team. He declares it is the best ever put before spectators.

Evelyn Cleveland has completed her course at Radford College and is now teaching Home Economics.

Richard Coflin is now the owner of the "Best Buy" chain stores. His slogan is "We Strive to Please."

Charles Collins is called "Hot Lips Collins" because of his hot trumpet playing with his orchestra in the Rainbow Room.

Raymond Cone is superintendent of Fairfax County High Schools and is enlarging the Student Government of the different schools.

Douglas Cook is considered the best bus driver in the county. He says he got his training from driving bus No. 6.

Kent Crowther is taking the place of J. Edga Hoover and is doing a fine job of tracking down desperate criminals.

Reginald Crump is pitching with the New York Yankees and is gaining more and more popularity every day.

John Davis has been appointed Postmaster General at Fort Belvoir.

Pearl Dent is studying in Hollywood to be a make-up artist. She is becoming very skilled on "how to put on mascara without smearing."

Vera Dickson tossed a coin to see if she would marry or be an old maid. She is now running an old maid's home in Chicago.

Jean Duvall is a leading medical technician in Washington, D. C., and New York. She is now planning to tour Europe.

Lucille Epps completed her course at Strayers College with honors and is now a private secretary to a well known politician. She does singing on the side.

Freda Fraley is still collecting paper for the paper drive. She has more paper than Europe has.

Helen Fraley is one of the most outstanding teachers at Lee-Jackson. Next year she may be principal.

Delores Gardiner worked hard and faithfully at her typing and shorthand and is now secretary to the President of the United States.

Anna Hansen is running a "Students Corner" in one of the leading colleges in the country. It reminds her of Mt. Vernon's "Students Corner."

William Harrell is the year's winner of the Thomas Jefferson Book Award. It is understood that he has written many novels and hundreds of essays.

Christine Harris is Florence Nightingale the second. She joined the Nurse Cadet Corps and is stationed in California.

Connie Harvey has opened a Riding Academy in Happy Valley for all those interested in riding.

Betty Harwell is head nurse in a large hospital in Reno where the poor husbands and wives go to recuperate after nervous breakdowns.

Kenneth Hasle is Secretary of the Navy and has traveled the world showing the other nations how it is done.

LaVerne Hill is one of the famous Powers Models in New York.

Violet Hill is now abroad studying many foreign languages. She has already received her Masters Degree in commercial subjects and her degree in law.

Rebecca Hummer has joined the "Waves" so she can be a part of the Navy in which Tommy is.

Paul Jacobson, who always did have that winnig way about him, is running for Mayor of Pohick. (He's sure he has it in the bag.)

Thomas Jennings is famous as a soloist with Harry James' Orchestra at River Bend. He still slays his audience, especially the women, with "Shoo-Shoo Baby."

James Kaiser is still an indispensable employee at Fort Belvoir. He may retire any day now.

Mildred Lee is living in New York where she has worked her way to be a great Opera Star.

Harold Letcher is one of the leading photographers in Hollywood. He photographs many of the famous stars. What a life!

Marian Long is a well known bookkeeper in one of the largest banks in New York City.

Marion Martin is John Davis's assistant in the Post Office at Fort Belvoir; he is doing fine.

Marie Maters is still at the Washington Quartermaster Depot, is now head Personnel Manager, and is doing fine.

Perry McCann, the famous detective in our country, is hot on the trail of "Pistol Packin' Mama."

Doris McMinn has broken all records in typing and is one of the best typists as well as bookkeepers.

Mary Ellen McNelis is a great dietician in the Shoreham Hotel in Washington.

Nellie Mellott, pardon us, we mean Dr. Mellott, has just received her Ph.D. degree and is expecting her appointment as principal at Groveton Elementary School.

Alice Montieth, having graduated from the Central Bible Institute in Missouri, is now a religious instructor in Mt. Vernon High School.

Jean Morse is coaching a famous girls football team in South Dakota. They are called "The Dainty Dakota Daisies."

Marjorie Mundy is now known as the best little southern cook in Virginia. Boy, that good old fried chicken!

Marie Nelson is a private secretary to a well known Senator in Washington, D. C.

Mildred Norris is out West training to be a famous rider in the Bucking Broncos Rodeo.

Bobby Painter is one of the leading Ford salesmen for Herby's in Alexandria. (That is, when they can get the cars.)

Marrion Parrish is now replacing Fanny Brice as Baby Snooks.

Janice Payne is head nurse at Grace Hospital in Richmond and brings much cheer to the patients.

Verne Pearson has forsaken the Armed Forces and has become an old maid as she is undecided on her career.

Mildred Phelps, after making a hard decision chose the lucky sailor who was her childhood sweetheart and will be married soon.

Alice Piercy, from her experience in Mt. Vernon's Library, is head Librarian in the Library of Congress.

Patricia Reeder, because of her love for horses and nursing, has become head nurse at the Veterinary Home for aged race horses.

Sue Roberts is instructor of Home Economics in the University of Tennessee, her old Alma Mater.

Bernice Rogers prospered under her shorthand teacher's guidance at Mt. Vernon and is now secretary in a leading bank in Washington, D. C.

Frances Rogers is doing a good job of restoring health to all our men and women who have returned from the Armed Forces.

Leo Rogers has really been a success. He has just been made an Admiral in the U. S. Navy.

Margaret Rogers is teaching all commercial subjects in the same University with Dr. Molly G. Lehrman. Mount Vernonites always stick together.

Earl Scott is in Hollywood acting as "Stand In" for Charlie McCarthy.

Josephine Sears is happily married and is very pleased with her nice home in Occoquan.

Mary Simpson has finally decided to wear her diamond on her left hand.

Claude Smith is running for Chief of Police in New York City. He says it is going to be a tight squeeze.

Marjorie Staples is now happily married and is sending her offsprings to Del Ray Dances.

Gordon Steidel has become the leading manufacturer for red plaid dresses, patterned after his famous plaid shirts.

Frank Strobel is selling hair tonic for men. He is demonstrating on how to keep your hair black and wavy.

Nelson Sublett is a traveling salesman, and is selling tooth brushes, shoe polish and shoe strings. He always did have a way with the ladies.

Eugene Thomas has joined the Fairfax Police Force and with the aid of his brother, is following school buses.

Parker Thornton is a prominent surgeon in New York but in his spare time he goes to Congress to argue for the rights of Virginia.

Hattie Thompson is following in Mrs. Thompson's footsteps as Guidance Director. Mt. Vernon can't do without the name of Thompson.

Alice Travers has made roller skating in Hollywood very popular. Our Alice cuts quite a "figure" with her figure skating.

Helen Wagner is head missionary to China and is doing many good deeds there.

Alice Welch is working in DuPont's Laboratory. She is very busy nowadays completing her research work for the discovery of the 93d element. What a change in Science when that happens.

Marion Wheelock is a gay young Deb and is breaking all the boys hearts who come to Fair Haven.

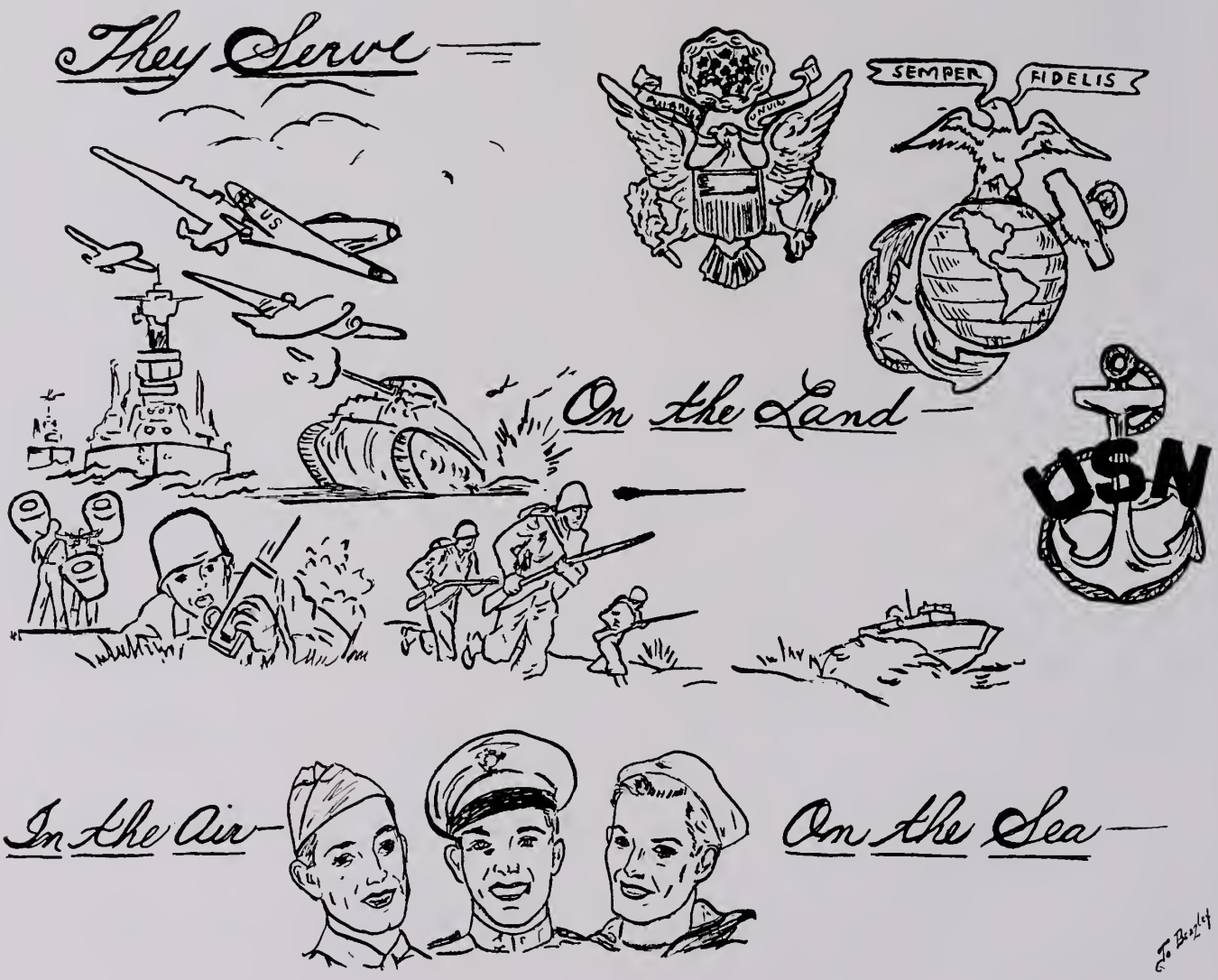
Linabel White has obtained her Degree in Science and is now head dietician in Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Alfred Wiles is now Skipper of his own ship and named it M.V.H.S., remembering his Mt. Vernon days. He is the tallest Skipper on record.

Lynwood Wiley is a well known Radio Announcer, sponsored by Johnson's Baby Powder.

Lila Wray is a hard working Government Girl and is having lots of fun in her leisure hours.

Thus we leave our friends of bygone days, hoping against hope that we shall all meet again—in the flesh or otherwise.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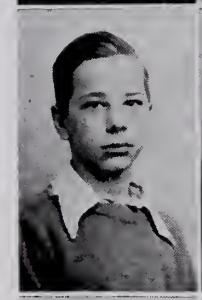

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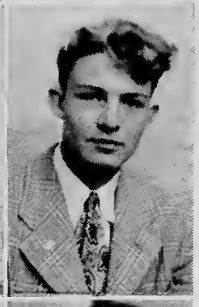

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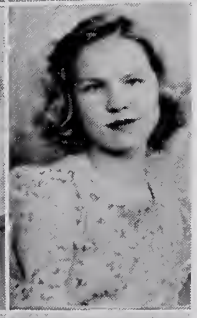

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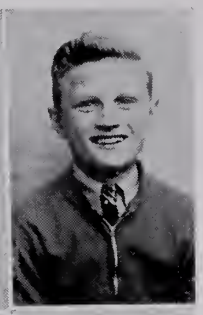

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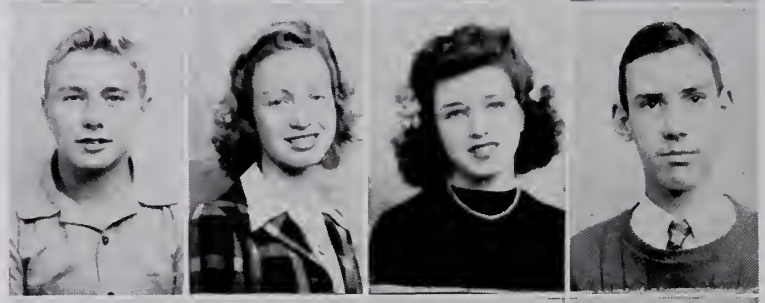

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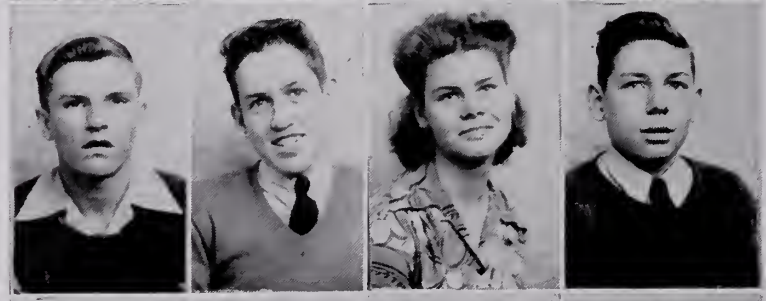

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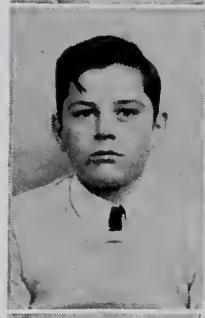

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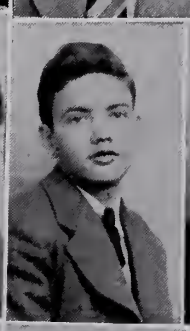

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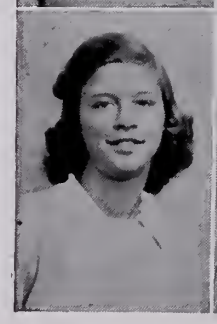

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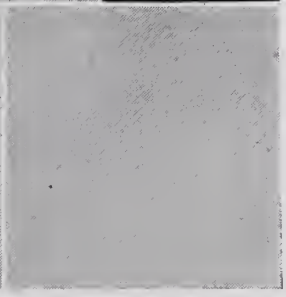

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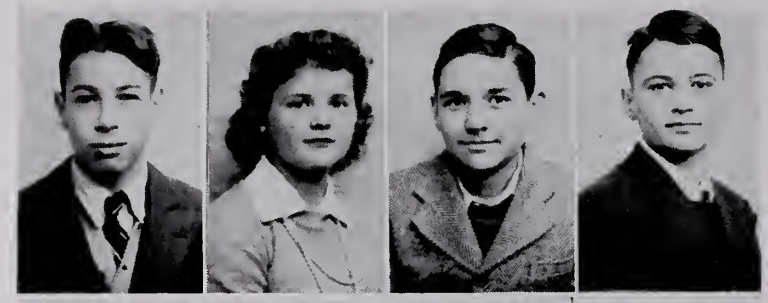

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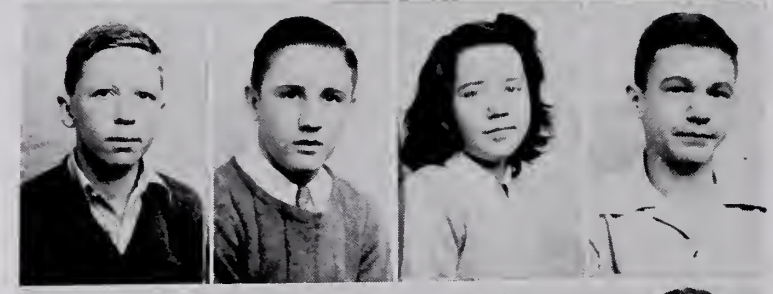

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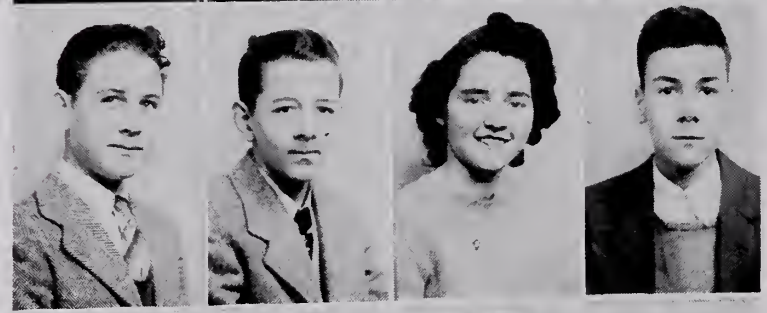

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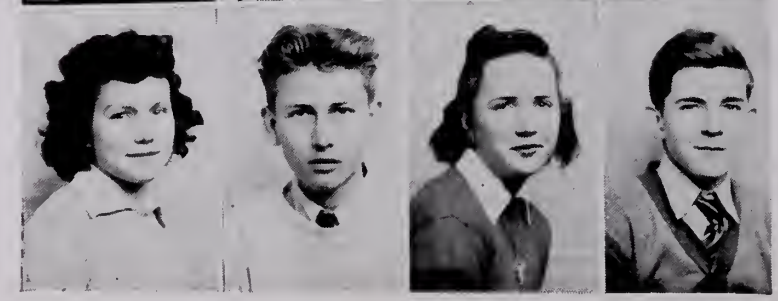

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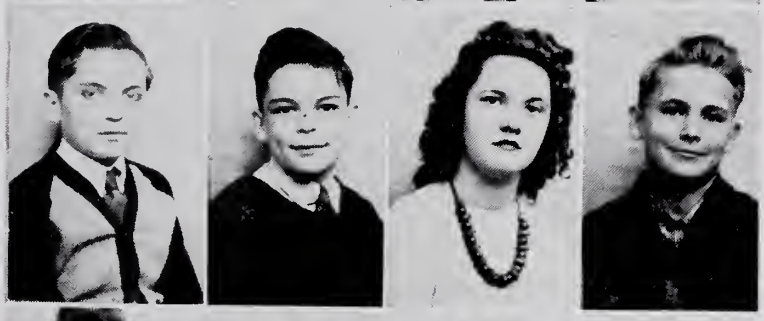

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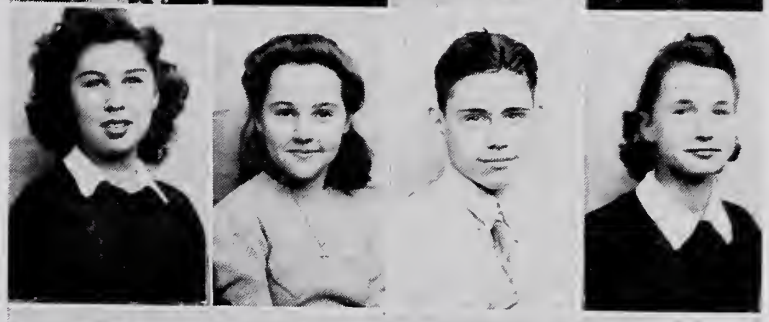

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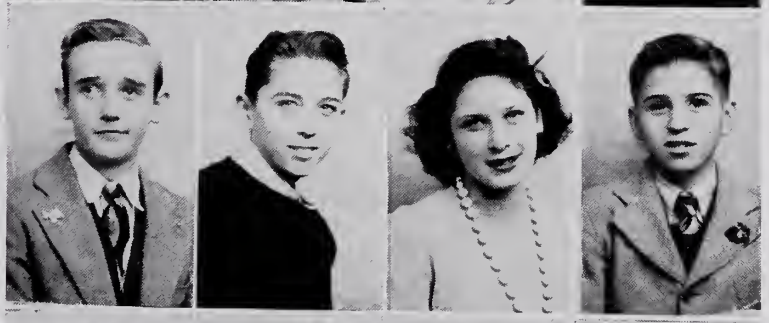

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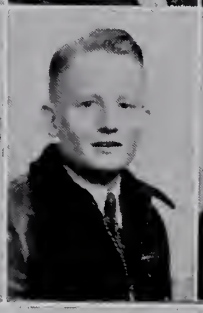

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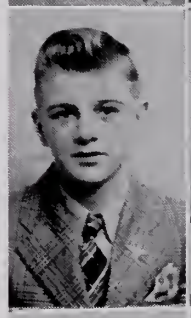

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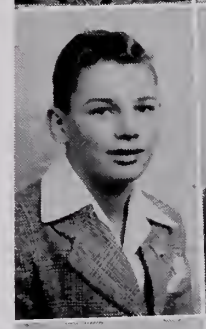

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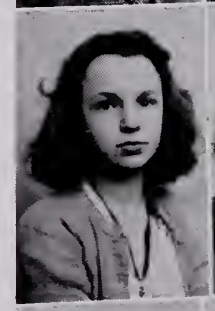

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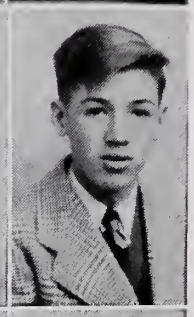

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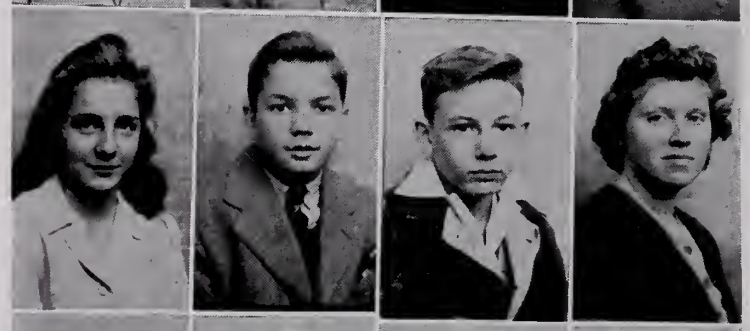

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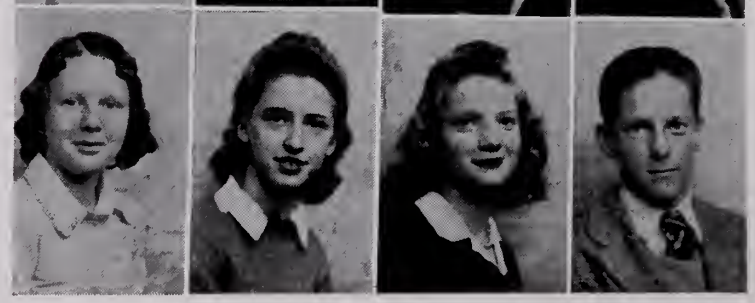

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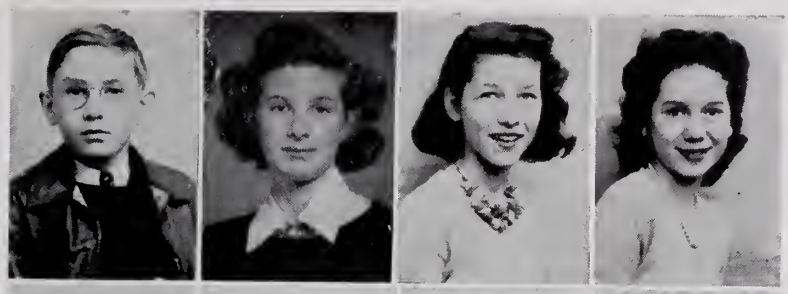

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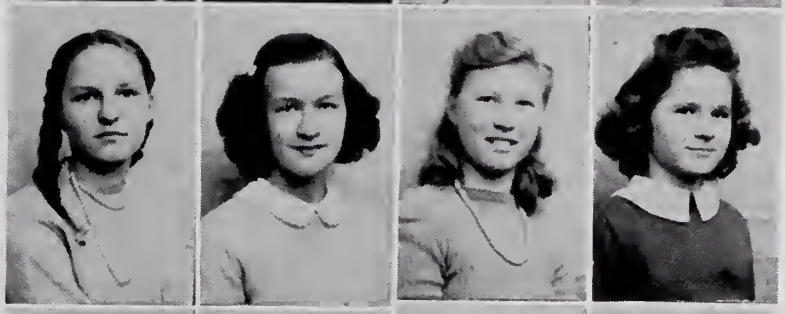

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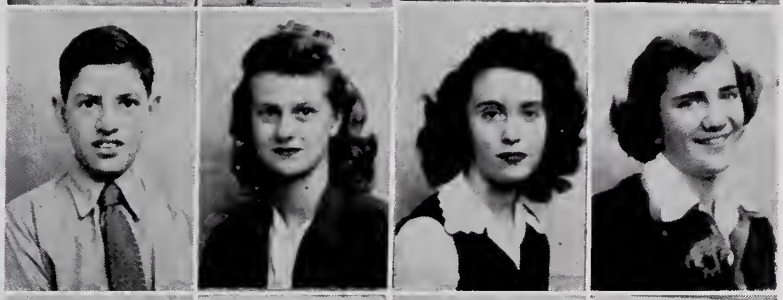

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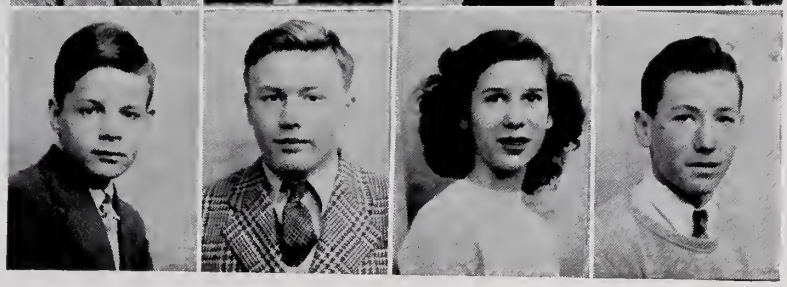

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The Student Government

To do our part both in school and in the world at large and to help preserve those ideals of self government and freedom for which our own Mt. Vernon boys are fighting, we the Student Government of Mt. Vernon come together to work, to play, and to achieve.

Every one in school is enthusiastic about the academic school letter which will be awarded to each student earning 150 points in the designated way.

The Clean-Up campaign under the leadership of the Secretary of Sanitation is under way with duties assigned to each student who wishes to earn points for his letter.

The Patrols have been working hand-in-hand with the Judicial Department. The Patrols keep order, and the Judicial Department passes judgment and metes out punishment to offenders. A cooperative program between County Police and Safety Patrols was instituted with Officer Cecil Brown as the School-Patrol-Policeman. He arranged a county-wide Patrol meeting at Fairfax and has worked over the entire Patrol system in the county.

On Wednesday of each week, the student government has sponsored a chapel program over the sound system. A minister from each of the neighboring churches has conducted a devotional service. The Glee Club furnished the music for each program. After the service all students interested in that particular church met with the minister in the library.

Each member of the student government is proud to wear the new student government pin. The pin itself is the same, but each department has a different guard.

During the year the Legislative Department has passed a number of laws.

The constitution has been amended and rewritten, and the handbook revised and reprinted.

Past Presidents:

1935-36 Anna Lou Talbert
1936-37 Elizabeth Cragg
1937-38 Wilford Fraley
1938-39 Harvey Clapp
1939-40 Harold Javins
1940-41 Elmer Hall
1941-42 Glen Hall
1942-43 James Nowlin.

Present Officers:

Linabel White: President
Robert Leisner: Vice-President
Nellie Mellott: Secretary
Sue Roberts: Treasurer
Mrs. Olive S. Thompson: Sponsor

Sponsors

1935-1937 Robert Walker
1937-1940 B. E. Trenis, Jr.
1940-1941 Paul Woodson
1941-1944 Olive Scott Thompson

Paper Staff

Sponsor—Mary D. Clark
Editor-in-Chief—Parker Thornton
Assistant Editor—Wiley Barrington
Business Manager—Nellie Mellott
Circulation Manager—Raymond Cone
Feature Editor—Alice Welch
Sports Editor—Lynwood Wiley
News Editor—Lila Wray
Typists—Minnie Butler, Marian Long

Library Club

Sponsor—Marjorie Rea
President—Delores Blunt
Vice-President—Marie Murray
Secretary-Treasurer—Doris Dodson

Library Club

The Library Club was organized September, 1943, with a two-fold purpose: first, to give those students who are interested in books and library work an opportunity to enjoy and participate in this work, and second, to provide student library-assistants to help in the library before and after school and at lunch and activities periods.

Following organization of the club, the students were given instructions in how to use the library and how to help others. During the year interesting and educational programs are planned and given by the members.

The club members have named themselves "Book Worms" and have as their motto the motto of every good librarian, "The right book for the right person at the right time."

The Em Vee High

The "Em Vee Hi," Mt. Vernon's newspaper, is printed once a month by the Rue Publishing Company at Denton, Maryland. Most of our papers this year have been six-page editions.

The Newspaper Club meets twice a week at Activity Period with Parker Thornton as Editor. For the third consecutive year, Miss Clark has been its sponsor.

For the most part, the staff members are having their first experience in newspaper work. Many of our members cannot meet with the club because of classes at Activity Period, but they write articles, type, proof read, and help make the dummy.

Our paper carries all news—sports, clubs, alumni, class news, underclassmen, faculty, school news, snoopie, stamps and bonds.

For the first time, the "Em Vee Hi" has had a picture in it. This was a picture of the football team in December, and was made possible by our newspaper ads. This year, there have been many interesting "Letters to the Editor" on school problems. Students and faculty commented on some of these in later issues.

Copies of the paper are mailed each month to about sixty alumni, most of whom are service men. Copies are alsc exchanged with other schools in the state and D. C.

The Staff plans a special Alumni Edition in March and a Senior Edition in May.

Patrol Organization

The Patrol Club this year has been working with the Fairfax County Police through Officer Cecil Brown who organized patrols in all the schools in Fairfax County. This system of working with the police makes all patrols feel a greater sense of responsibility, and they consider it an honor to be a part of such an organization.

Requirements for admission, and for permission to continue being a member once admitted, have been made very high. The grades of all members are checked closely every six weeks. The functions of the patrols have been numerous, such as increasing safety on school buses, helping Student Government revise old regulations, and maintaining order around the school building.

The Mount Vernon High School patrols have done a great deal toward insuring more safety in and around our school by acting as Traffic Officers on the main highway and serving as Patrol Officers on school buses so that they could aid the elementary and high school students to cross the highway safely.

We hope the organization will continue to grow and that our patrols will carry on their good work always.

The Glee Club

Sponsor—Mrs. Hattie G. Quinley
Director—Mrs. W. M. Henry
Pianist—Mrs. Henry G. Hardage
Leader—Mary Ella Mays
President—Patsy Woodham
Vice-President—Geneva Dodd
Secretary—Frances Gregg
Treasurer—Doris Dodson

Public Speaking

Sponsor—Miss Natalie J. Disbrow
President—Martha Sparkman
Vice President—Patsy Manning
Secretary-Treasurer—Marian Frank

Patrol Organization

Secretary of Safety—Kent Crowther
Captain—Joyce Walter
1st Lieutenant—Raymond Cone
2d Lieutenant—Anna King
General Membership

Wanda Arnold
Martha Boyd
Marian Duncan
Marvin Frye
Jordan Harding
Marion Martin
Patsy O'Flaherty
Gordon Steidel
L. G. Turner
Robert Waddell
Martha Sparkman

The Glee Club

This year our Glee Club has worked to bring out the talents of those students interested in music. They have concentrated on musical numbers, such as Christmas Carols, Hymns, Semi-Classical, Negro Spirituals, Patriotic and Sentimental songs as a means of contrasting the various types of music and their values. The members of the club have participated on programs at Parent-Teacher Meetings, Christmas time, Assemblies, and will take part in the graduating exercises.

Since music is one of the fine arts, they feel that some understanding of it should be developed during one's school years. Yet, this is not the only way in which the Glee Club is of value to its members. It helps the students to acquire a feeling of self-reliance and encourages a spirit of cooperation; qualities which are of utmost importance in molding a person's character.

They had only two-part harmony this year—soprano and alto. Next year they hope that there will be greater participation in the organization and that they may be able to accomplish much more. The aims are to teach appreciation and to create a desire for the finer arts through the musical field.

The Glee Club has been very fortunate in having two very able patrons of our school to assist in the club twice each week, to whom they are most appreciative and grateful—Mrs. Hardage and Mrs. Henry.

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Mt. Vernon's Bond and Stamp Sales

Mt. Vernon's Stamp and Bond Sales have been higher this year than in the past two years.

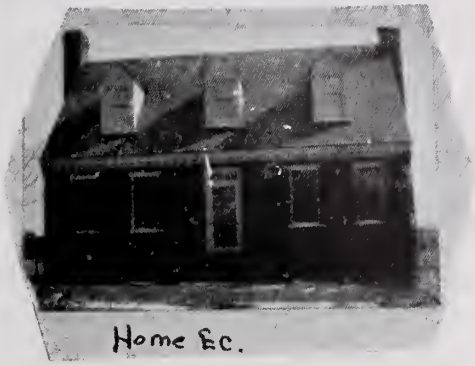
This year, there are representatives in each homeroom who take charge of the stamp and bond sales. Miss Clark, the chairman at Mt. Vernon for the second year, has met several times with her representatives to give extra pointers, and to urge them to work harder in their rooms, and to keep accurate up-to-date records.

Mt. Vernon took part in the Triple Threat Jeep Campaign from September to December and set a goal of $6,255.00. Only a small percent of the student body participated and, as a result, Mt. Vernon did not reach its quota. The school, however, bought $5,270.00 worth of stamps and bonds and received a certificate from the United States Treasury Department for the purchase of 2 Jeeps—the "Flying" Jeep and the "Quack" Jeep, and 2 Parachutes.

For the first term, the total of stamps and bonds purchased at Mt. Vernon was:

Stamps	$1,724.95
Bonds	5,231.25
Total	$6,956.20

The records for this term indicate only those purchases made at school through Miss Clark. The total is an increase of about $2,000 over last year's record, which showed *all* purchases of stamps and bonds made—at school, and outside, and on the payroll plan.



HOMEMAKERS CLUB

Homeroom Representatives

WAR BONDS and STAMPS SALES

The Homemakers Club

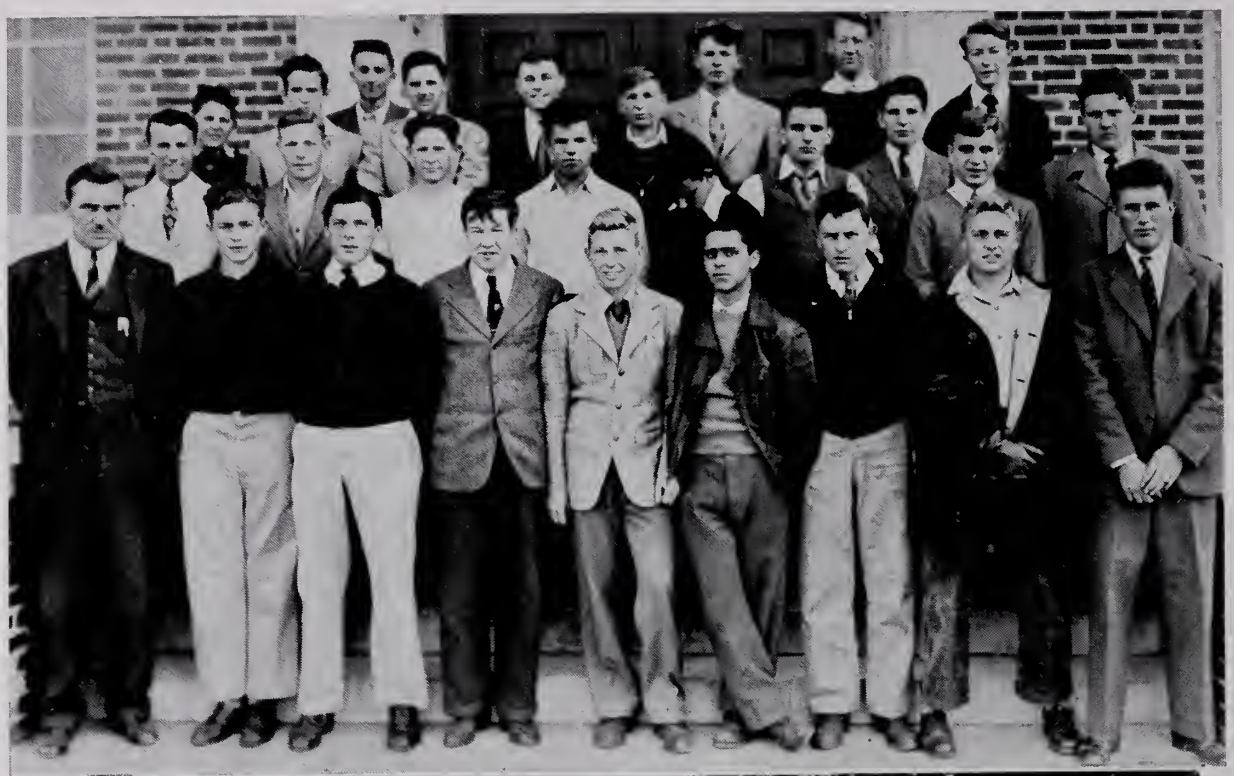
A newly organized club, called the *Future Homemakers*, has this year become one of our very interesting activities at Mount Vernon.

Since the club has been in operation, the students have done many worthwhile things. Among the activities in which the members have participated are: Serving at the workshop luncheon, the football banquet, and at the February meeting of the P. T. A.

The club has also sponsored a scrap paper drive. It proved to be a successful accomplishment, since everyone did his part.

The constitution for the club has been completed and approved. Article number 5 provides that new officers be elected every semester. Its present officers are:

Sponsor—Mrs. Purcelle M. Robertson
President—Faith MacDonald
Vice-President—Annette Millard
Secretary—Lucille Epps
Treasurer—Charlotte Perdue
Reporter—Jo Doris Beazley



Coach—John C. Ross

Managers—William Ladson, Edward Painter

Captain—
Parker Thornton

Backs—
Wiley Barrington
Robert Bauman
Thomas Flowers
Joseph Holmes
Calvin Meahl
Richard O'Neil
Bobby Painter
Carlton Robertson
Lynwood Wiley

Line—
Richard Briscoe
Donald Clarke
Richard Coflin
Dean Crowther
Claude Crump
Carlton Goodwin
Gordon Hammond
Paul Jacobsen
Robert Leisner
Sieber Mellott
Douglas Murray
George Powell
Leo Rogers
Thomas Rudderforth
Eugene Thomas
Parker Thornton
Robert Waddell

Football

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Football? Yes, Mount Vernon can now say they have a football team of which they can be proud. With the never-failing energy and the good spirits of a fine coach, they turned out a very successful season. Everyone needs to give Mr. Ross thanks for making a football team out of a "bunch of kids."

Yes, this year they won four, and lost three, with 44 points scored to their opponents 106.

High scorers were Wiley Barrington with 53 points, 8 touchdowns and 5 conversions, which are nearly half of the points scored by the team; O'Neil followed with 3 touchdowns and one conversion; Robinson 18 points and one conversion; Lynwood Wiley with 12 points and Murray and Leisner with a touchdown each.

On the squad this year were the following: line—Hammond, Thornton, Leisner, Clark, Rogers, Coflin, Powell, Dean Crowther, Rudderford, C. Crump, Briscoe, Jacobson, Jennings, Wadell, Murray and Thomas; the backfield—Barrington, Lynwood Wiley, O'Neil, Robertson, Flowers, Bauman, Holmes, B. Painter and Meahl; Parker Thornton, Captain.

To start off the season the Mustangs defeated National Training School 24-0. Last season they had been beaten by them 19-0. The second game came as a surprise when Manassas put up a very good unexpected fight. They defeated the Yellow-Jackets 13-0.

They met their first defeat with Gonzaga, one of Washington's best teams, who walked over them by a score of 34-6. Then another defeat, when Fairfax took them for a 24-6 loss. This was a sad day for everyone but they had another day for another chance. After these two defeats the Mounts trounced Manassas 32-0. This was the game where O'Neil got his recognition, when he ploughed through for 20 and 30-yard runs and made three touchdowns. Every player participated in this game. After this victory they traveled to Fredericksburg where they were defeated 35-19. They never really started to play until the half and in the third quarter James Monroe never scored. The boys really fought hard.

Then came the great day, Mount Vernon versus Fairfax. This game not only would serve as a revenge but it meant a lot to both sides. The Mounts had won 3 and lost 3 while Fairfax had won 4 and lost 4. Eager to win, the Mounts went to work in the first quarter. Barrington shot O'Neil a 25-yard line pass to the 20-yard line. Then another pass to our left-end—a very surprised Robert Leisner, when he made a touchdown. Barrington kicked the extra point, to make it 7-0. In the second quarter Fairfax scored and kicked the extra point. So ended the first half 7-7. In the third quarter Fairfax put the score up to her favor 13-7. Then in the last quarter Barrington scored behind swell blocking. Then Barrington went back to kick the extra point. Previously he had kicked only 3 extra points in his life. But then to the happiness of everyone the game ended 14-13 in favor of Mt. Vernon.

The year ended with a Banquet. There the following group received letters: Hammond, Thornton, Leisner, Rogers, Clark, Barrington, Powell, Wiley, Coflin, Rudderford, Jacobson, Meahl, Robertson, O'Neil, Murray, Thomas and Goodwin.

Yes, Mount Vernon is proud of her football team and coach because this year they started the first of the outstanding records which the school, we hope, will maintain in future years.

So the best of luck to the future football star "From us Kids."

Senior Class Directory

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Barrington, Wiley Lee	RFD 4, Alexandria, Va.
Bartlett, June	P.O. Box 33, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 5660.
Bayliss, Jean	2722 Duke Street, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 4155.
Berrett, Charlotte	Lorton, Va.—Lorton 49.
Bostetter, Martin	RFD 5, Box 354, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 2697.
Butler, Minnie	Route 4, Box 162, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 4582.
Buxton, Edward	Lorton, Va.—Lorton 15-F-21.
Clark, Donald	Box 456, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 0974.
Cleveland, Evelyn	RFD 5, Box 311, Alexandria, Va.
Coflin, Richard (Dick) S.-2/c. U.S.N.	RFD 3, Box 23, Alexandria, Va.
Collins, Charles	Lorton, Va.
Cone, Raymond	Route 3, Box 22, Alexandria Va.
Cook, Douglas	Lorton, Va.
Crowther, Kent	Route 4, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 4102.
Crump, Reginald	RFD 1, Alexandria, Va.
Davis, John S-2/C USN	Mt. Vernon, Va.—Alex. 4185.
Dent, Pearl	Route 3, Box 28, Alexandria, Va.
Dickson, Vera	RFD 1, Alexandria, Va.
Duvall, Jean	Lorton, Va.—Lorton 14-F-11.
Epps, Lucille	Route 4, Box 59, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 1682.
Fraley, Freda	RFD 5, Box 469, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 5153.
Fraley, Helen	RFD 5, Box 469, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 5153.
Gardiner, Delores	112 West Franklin St., Groveton, Aleandria, Va.
Graham, Mary Lou	301 Thompson Street, Staunton, Va.
Hansen, Anna	Route 1, Box 522, Alexandria, Va.
Harrell, William (Billy)	RFD 1, Box 259, Alexandria, Va.
Harris, Christine	Lorton, Va.
Harvey, Margaret (Connie)	Route 4, Box 336, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 1728.
Harwell, Elizabeth Ann (Betty)	Route 4, Box 336, Alex, Va.—Engleside 76-W.-2.
Hasle, Kenneth	RFD 1, Box 512, Alex., Va.—Engleside 41-J-11.
Hill, LaVerne	Route 1, Box 258, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 5055.
Hill, Violet	RFD 1, Box 32, Springfield, Va.
Hudson, Hilda (Mrs. George Smith)	314 S. Fairfax Street, Alexandria, Va.
Hummer, Hazel Rebecca (Becky)	RFD 5, c/o Burgundy Farms, Alexandria, Va.—Alexandria 5959.
Jacobson, Paul	Motor Trans. Branch, Eng. Bd., Ft. Belvoir, Va.
Jennings, Thomas	RFD 1, Alexandria, Va.
Kaiser, James	RFD 4, Box 342A, Alexandria, Va.
Lee, Mildred	RFD 4, Box 182, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 8929.
Leisner, Robert	RFD 4, Box 285, Alex., Va.—Engleside 74-J-2.
Letcher, Harold	Alexandria, Va.
Long, Marian	Route 1, Box 171-B, Alexandria, Va.

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McCann, Perry	RFD 1, Box 594, Lorton, Va.
McMinn, Doris	RFD 5, Box 6, Alexandria, Va.
McNelis, Mary Ellen	RFD 1, Lorton, Va.
Mellott, Nellie	6 Radcliffe Rd., Belle Haven, Alex., Va.—Te. 2551.
Montieth, Alice	RFD 5, Box 313, Alexandria, Va.
Morse, Jean	Route 1, Box 316, Alexandria, Va.
Mundy, Marjorie (Dolly)	Route 1, Box 508, Alex., Va.—Engleside 47-J-11.
Nelson, Marie	Lorton, Va.
Norris, Mildred Hope	Route 5, Box 340, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 5879.
Painter, Howard (Bobby)	PO Box 312, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 4643.
Parrish, Marrion	Route 4, Box 110, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 0116.
Payne, Janice	Lorton, Va.
Pearson, Verne	Newington, Va.
Phelps, Mildred	Newington, Va.
Piercy, Alice	Route 1, Box 245-A, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 8559.
Reeder, Patricia	RFD 4, Box 474, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 5755.
Roberts, Sue	Lorton, Va.
Rogers, Bernice	RFD 1, Box 26, Springfield, Va.
Rogers, Frances	Route 5, Box 118, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 0944.
Rogers, Leo	RFD 5, Box 375, Alexandria, Va.
Rogers, Margaret Ellen	RFD 5, Box 359, Alexandria, Va.
Scott, Earl	Route 5, Box 339, Alexandria, Va.
Sears, Josephine	Lorton, Va.
Simpson, Mary Bell	Lorton, Va.
Smith, Claude	RFD 1, Box 70, Springfield, Va.
Staples, Marjorie	RFD 5, Box 330, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 4862.
Steidel, Gordon	Franconia, Va.—Alex. 3708.
Strobel, Frank	RFD 4, Box 539, Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 2665.
Sublett, Nelson	2630 Duke St., Alexandria, Va.—Alex. 4887.
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Travers, Alice	Route 4, Box 304, Alexandria, Va.
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